

**ANTELOPE VALLEY AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 15, 2006
ANTELOPE VALLEY DISTRICT OFFICE
LANCASTER, CA**

MINUTES

Board Members Present:

Ron Smith, City of Lancaster
Henry Hearn, Chair, City of Lancaster
Mike Dispenza, Vice Chair, City of Palmdale
Jim Ledford, City of Palmdale
Vern Lawson, Los Angeles County

Board Members Absent:

Ken McCoy, Public Member

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Henry Hearn presided and called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Vern Lawson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Item # 1 - PUBLIC COMMENT

See Item #10.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Agenda Item # 2 - Approve Minutes from Regular Governing Board Meeting of June 20, 2006.

Upon Motion by **VERN LAWSON**, Seconded by **JIM LEDFORD**, and carried unanimously, the Board Approved Minutes from Regular Governing Board Meeting of June 20, 2006.

Agenda Item # 3 - Set date of September 19, 2006 to conduct a public hearing to consider the adoption of Federal "Negative Declarations" for various source categories. Presenter: Eldon Heaston.

Upon Motion by **VERN LAWSON**, Seconded by **JIM LEDFORD**, and carried unanimously, the Board Set date of September 19, 2006 to conduct a public hearing to consider the adoption of Federal "Negative Declarations" for various source categories.

Agenda Item #4 - Set date of September 19, 2006 to conduct a public hearing to consider the adoption of the 8-hour Reasonably Available Control Technology – State Implementation Plan Analysis (RACT SIP Analysis).

Presenter: Eldon Heaston.

Upon Motion by **VERN LAWSON**, Seconded by **JIM LEDFORD**, and carried unanimously, the Board Set date of September 19, 2006 to conduct a public hearing to consider the adoption of the 8-hour Reasonably Available Control Technology – State Implementation Plan Analysis (RACT SIP Analysis).

Agenda Item #5 - The Financial Report is provided to the Governing Board for information concerning the current fiscal status of the District.

Presenter: Jean Bracy.

Upon Motion by **VERN LAWSON**, Seconded by **JIM LEDFORD**, and carried unanimously, the Board Received and Filed the Financial Report

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Agenda Item #6 – DEFERRED ITEMS

None.

Agenda Item #7 – Approve payment to MDAQMD in the amount of \$141,661.91, subject to availability of funds, for services provided during the months of May, 2006 in the amount of \$68,248.15; and June, 2006 in the amount of \$73,413.76.

Presenter: Jean Bracy.

Bret Banks provided background information and staff recommendation. Upon Motion by **JIM LEDFORD**, Seconded by **MIKE DISPENZA**, and carried unanimously, the Board Approved payment to MDAQMD in the amount of \$141,661.91, subject to availability of funds, for services provided during the months of May, 2006 in the amount of \$68,248.15; and June, 2006 in the amount of \$73,413.76.

Agenda Item #8 – Conduct a continued public hearing to consider the amendment of Regulation XIII– New Source Review (Specifically Rules 1302 – Procedure and 1305 – Emissions Offsets) and the adoption of new Rule 1310 – Federal Major Facilities and Federal Major Modifications; 2. Make a determination that the CEQA Categorical Exemption applies; 3. Waive reading of Resolution; 4. Adopt a resolution making appropriate findings, certifying the Notice of Exemption, amending Rules 1302 and 1305, adopting new Rule 1310 and directing staff actions.

Presenter: Bret Banks.

Bret Banks shared background information and staff recommendation. Chair Hearn conducted continued public hearing and solicited public comments. None being, Chair Hearn closed public hearing. Upon Motion by **HENRY HEARNS**, Seconded by **JIM LEDFORD**, and carried unanimously, the Board Made a determination that the CEQA Categorical Exemption applies; Waived reading of Resolution; Adopted a resolution making appropriate findings, certifying the Notice of Exemption, amending Rules 1302 and 1305, adopting new Rule 1310 and directing staff actions.

Agenda Item #9 - Conduct a continued public hearing to consider the adoption of Rule 1401 - New Source Review For Toxic Air Contaminants; 2. Make a determination that the CEQA Categorical Exemption applies; 3. Waive reading of Resolution; 4. Adopt a resolution making appropriate findings, certifying the Notice of Exemption, adopting Rule 1401 – New Source Review For Toxic Air Contaminants and directing staff actions. Presenter: Bret Banks.

Bret Banks shared background information and staff recommendation. Chair Hearn conducted continued public hearing and solicited public comments. None being Chair Hearn closed public hearing. Upon Motion by **MIKE DISPENZA**, Seconded by **JIM LEDFORD**, and carried unanimously, the Board Made a determination that the CEQA Categorical Exemption applies; Waived reading of Resolution; Adopted a resolution making appropriate findings, certifying the Notice of Exemption, adopting Rule 1401 – New Source Review For Toxic Air Contaminants and directing staff actions.

Agenda Item #10 - Approve \$29,430 in Mobile Emissions Reduction Program funds to continue the AVAQMD grant program which offsets the incremental cost for light duty CNG fueled vehicles and home fueling infrastructure units.

Presenter: Bret Banks.

Bret Banks shared background information and staff recommendation. Public comment was received from Chris Martin, Palmdale Robinson Honda. Mr. Martin expressed his appreciation to the Board and staff for their assistance with the alternate fuel grant program. Mr. Martin provided information on the home fueling unit and answered Board member questions. **Error! Not a valid link.** Approved \$29,430 in Mobile Emissions Reduction Program funds to continue the AVAQMD grant program which offsets the incremental cost for light duty CNG fueled vehicles and home fueling infrastructure units.

Agenda Item #11 – Antelope Valley AQMD Revised Website Demonstration.

Presenter: Bret Banks.

Bret Banks presented the District's revised website and answered Board member questions. The following suggestions were noted: 1) Add pictures and bio's of Board members to the website; 2) Add links to the City of Palmdale and the City of Lancaster; 3) Prepare a press release announcing the revised website.

Agenda Item #12 – Reappoint Susan Burke as the medical member on the Antelope Valley Air Quality Management District (AVAQMD) Hearing Board for a three year term commencing July 1, 2006. Presenter: Eldon Heaston.

Eldon Heaston provided background information and staff recommendation. Upon Motion by **JIM LEDFORD**, Seconded by **HENRY HEARNS**, and carried unanimously, the Board Reappointed Susan Burke as the medical member on the Antelope Valley Air Quality Management District (AVAQMD) Hearing Board for a three year term commencing July 1, 2006.

Agenda Item #13 - Reports

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APCO – Eldon Heaston shared information about the upcoming CDAWG Conference, October 19-20, 2006, Big Bear, CA and encouraged new Board members to attend with cost to be covered by the District.

Deputy District Counsel – None

Operations Manager – Bret Banks shared information on the Pete Knight AIRE Awards and informed Board members that the awards ceremony will be conducted at next month's meeting, Tuesday, September 19, 2006.

Agenda Item # 14 - Board Member Reports and Suggestions for Future Items

Jim Ledford posed questions regarding the Certificate of Occupancy and permitting requirements. Mr. Ledford also had questions regarding District notification of the Development Advisory Board Meetings, conducted by the City of Palmdale and City of Lancaster. Vern Lawson will add Bret Banks to the notification list for Development Advisory Board Meetings. The Advisory Board contact person for the City of Lancaster is Brian Ludicke and Laurie Lile is the contact person for the City of Palmdale.

Mike Dispenza and Ron Smith expressed their appreciation to staff for a job well done on the District's revised website.

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:46 a.m. to the next regular Governing Board Meeting of September 19, 2006, 10:00 a.m.